<u>REMARKS</u>

Applicant requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of the subject application in

view of the preceding amendments and the following remarks.

The title has been amended to correct a minor informality and to place the subject

application in better form. No new matter has been added by this change.

Claims 1-28 are presented for consideration. Claims 1, 13, 14 and 25-28 are independent.

Claim 13 has been amended to correct a typographical error, while claims 28 has been added to

recite additional features of the subject invention. Support for this change and this claim can be

found in the application, as filed. Therefore, no new matter has been added.

Claims 1-27 were previously allowed in this application. Applicant submits that the

foregoing change does not substantively affect the allowability of claim 13 and that claim 28

patentably defines features of the measuring system of the present invention. Applicant submits,

therefore, that claims 1-27 should remain allowable, claim 28 should be allowable, and that the

instant application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and an early passage to

issue are requested.

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